



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
ALLIANCE OF MONTANA

DATE: November 18, 2019
TO: Revenue Interim Committee
FROM: Mary Windecker, Behavioral Health Alliance of Montana
RE: Behavioral Health Statistics

1. Montana is number one in the nation for suicides.ⁱ
2. Montana is first in the nation per capita for children placed in foster care, currently with 3,900 children in foster care.ⁱⁱ
3. Native Americans in Montana die one full generation ahead of the rest of the population for both male and female.ⁱⁱⁱ
4. The number of Montana children in foster care has more than doubled since 2011.^{iv}
5. In 2016, 64 percent were removed from the home for reasons related to parental substance use.^v
6. Among Medicaid patients, the percentage of infants with perinatal drug exposure increased from 3.7 percent (2010) to 12.3 percent (2016).^{vi}
7. An estimated 64,000 Montanans have a substance use disorder. There has been a 427% increase in meth violations from 2011-2015. 90% of Montanans with Substance Use Disorder are not receiving treatment.^{vii}

Budget Cuts from 2017 Special Session and Reallocation from July 2018

\$49.5M Cuts to DPHHS in January 2018	\$30M Reinstated Funds to DPHHS in July 2018
2.99% cut to all Medicaid Providers	2.99% Reinstated to Medicaid Providers July 2018.
50% cut to Children's Targeted Case Management	Current Taskforce working on this program. No funding reinstated yet.
58% cut to Adult Targeted Case Management	Current Taskforce working on this program. No funding reinstated yet.
Intensive Outpatient SUD Treatment Cuts	New rates implemented July 2019.
SUD Assessment Rate Cuts	No funding reinstated yet.
Children's Home Support Services Cut	No funding reinstated yet.
Room and Board for Therapeutic Children's Homes Cut	No funding reinstated yet.
Numerous cuts to Developmentally Disabled Programs	No funding reinstated yet.

ⁱ Centers for Disease Control.

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^{vi} MT Health Care Foundation Grant 2016 Wrapped in Hope Project – KRMCM, St. Joe's, THS, St. Luke

^{vii} MT DPHHS Strategic Plan: Interim Draft Report 2017-2019 "Addressing Substance Use Disorder in Montana."